

HAWTHORNE MARIA R  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HAWTHORNE MARIA R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PS BUSINESS PARKS INC/CA [PSB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC, 701 WESTERN AVENUE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/14/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

GLENDALE, CA 91201-2397

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	09/14/2012		M		12,000 A \$ 52.35	26,505	D
Common Stock	09/14/2012		S		12,000 D \$ 70.6554 (4)	14,505 (1)	D
Common Stock						8,886.2223 (2)	I By 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 52.35	09/14/2012		M	12,000	03/15/2011	03/15/2020	Common Stock	12,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAWTHORNE MARIA R C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC 701 WESTERN AVENUE GLENDALE, CA 91201-2397			SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	

## Signatures

/s/ Stephanie G. Heim, Attorney  
in Fact

09/14/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 2,000 restricted stock units.
- (2) 401(k) plan units that represent interests in common stock; based on plan information as of February 23, 2012. There is not a one to one correlation between units and shares.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (4) Represents weighted average purchase price. These shares were sold at a price ranging from \$70.3200 and \$71.0700 Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate purchase price will be provided by the reporting person upon request to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

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